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THE NEW YEAR.

GERMAN AND OTHER MESSAGES.

Berlin, January 2.
 The Doyen of the Diplomatic Corps in Berlin, has expressed to President Ebert, in a New Year's message, heartfelt sympathy with the German workmen, brain-workers and middle classes. The President, replying, emphasised the ardent wish of the German people to get, by hard work, a future opportunity of quietly working and peacefully living amongst other nations. The Chancellor, Herr Marx, expressed similar thoughts.
 The Czechoslovakian Premier, in the course of an article, expresses doubt whether 1924 will bring about a definite solution of the reparations problem, although a provisional solution may be arrived at. He expects in 1924 a great crisis for parliamentarians.
 The King of the Belgians, in a New Year address, referred to the necessity for restoration of economy in Belgium in connection with a solution of the reparations problem.
 The United States Secretary for Commerce, Mr. Hoover, spoke in his New Year's message hopefully regarding the international situation, especially since negotiations have been opened to settle the German problem, which, in his opinion, is the greatest danger to world economy than any other question.

PEACE AND RECONCILIATION.

FRENCH PRESIDENT IN OPTIMISTIC MOOD.

Bordeaux, January 2.
 The 1st of January reception ended in Paris with customary ceremonial. In reply to an address by the Doyen of the Diplomatic Corps, in which he expressed the hope that France might at last reap the fruits of her efforts for her own welfare and for the welfare of the world, the President of the Republic stated: "Your wish has begun to materialise. Perseverance and continuity of our policy, pursued with unflinching energy and moderation, have at last born their fruit. It appears permissible to hail the dawn of reconciliation and final peace. France, whose genius is far from the spirit of hatred and discord, earnestly longs for them and devoutly hopes that no fresh incident will delay their advent. She unites, in her aim, restoration of economic order throughout the world and that of her own prosperity. She claims her place in the forefront of willing workers whose assistance is indispensable for the return of that orderly tranquillity which constitutes peace."

FRENCH MESSAGE TO AMERICA.

CO-OPERATION WELCOMED BY PRESIDENT.

Bordeaux, January 2.
 On the occasion of the New Year, President Poincaré has addressed to the United States a message published by the New York Tribune, in which he said that had France not acted as she had done, the fruits of victory which America helped them to achieve would have been jeopardised and the French people deprived of legitimate reparations. He was delighted to see that America was on the way to co-operate in the study of the vast and difficult problems confronting France, and hoped that the New Year would restore the peaceful activities of the French Republic.

THE FRENCH AIRSHIP DISASTER.

ITALY THANKED FOR SYMPATHY.

Bordeaux, January 2.
 Funeral honours were paid to the earthly remains of the Dixmude commander, brought from Sicily by an Italian destroyer. On the occasion of the New Year, the French Ambassador at Rome conveyed French gratitude for the tokens of sympathy given by the Italian people and officials in the grievous loss to the French Air Service.

GERMAN SOCIALISTS' PROCLAMATION.

AN ATTACK ON CAPITAL.

Berlin, January 2.
 The Committee of the German United Socialist Party has published a New Year's Day proclamation at the opening of the German elections. It vehemently attacks large capital and large real estates, as well as the German People's Party.

HURRICANE IN BLACK SEA.

MANY SHIPS REPORTED MISSING.

Berlin, January 2.
 A hurricane raged over the Black Sea during the last days of 1923. Many ships are missing, whilst others have been damaged. A railway train and 32 coaches were thrown into the sea near Anapa.

THE FRENCH ARMY.

EFFECT OF REORGANISATION SCHEME.

Bordeaux, January 2.
 On January 1st, the reorganisation of the French Army took effect, abolishing ten divisions of thirty-nine infantry regiments and creating several units of tanks, artillery and aviation.

BRITAIN'S POLITICAL SITUATION.

MR. LLOYD GEORGE AND THE UNIONISTS.

Berlin, January 2.
 The London papers doubt whether Mr. Asquith can be induced to co-operate with the Unionists, but some of them believe that Mr. Lloyd George may be open to such overtures.

CANTON CUSTOMS DISPUTE.

Sir F. Aglen Accused of "Side-tracking."

LABOUR PROPAGANDA TO CEASE.

Developments regarding the Canton Customs dispute have not progressed much since I last reported on the situation, writes a Telegraph representative who visited the city during the holidays. He says:—The position is practically what it was a fortnight ago. The reply from the Inspector General of Customs at Peking to the Note from the Canton Government has been received, but its tenor has given some disappointment to the Canton authorities, who had hoped at least for a clear admission of their rights. I interviewed the Commissioner of Foreign Affairs on Monday on the subject and was informed that the Government was not at all satisfied with the reply it had received from Sir



Mr. Tse Ying-pak, who says Canton labour agitation in connection with the Customs dispute is to cease.

Francis Aglen. The latter, said Mr. C. C. Wu, had not come to the vital point at issue, but had "side-tracked" (I am using Mr. Wu's own expression) the issue when it came to an admission of the Southern Government's rights to its share of the surplus, by stating that there would not be any surplus for the next three months. "We want a clear reply to our query," continued the Commissioner. "It does not matter if there is only a cent's surplus. We want to know whether the Inspector General is prepared to admit that we are entitled to our share of the surplus. That point being settled, the rest will come as a matter of course."

USE OF THE FUNDS.

I pointed out that perhaps the Powers might like to know what the money would be used for, and that conditions had been imposed on the final disposition of the Customs surplus. The reply of the Commissioner was characteristic. He said:—"What we intend to do with our money—that which is due to us as our own—should be no concern of the Powers. However, I have stated some of the uses to which the money may be put, in a previous Note to the Diplomatic Body. The money would go towards the reconstruction of Kwangtung. I have said so much, and they will have to take my word for it."

The reply from the Inspector General of Customs was communicated to Mr. Wu through the Canton Commissioner of Customs. The Canton Government has replied to it by another Note, which emphasises the principle involved in the present issue. After carefully defining what it means by "Customs surplus" the Government demands that a direct reply be given to the query whether the Inspector General is prepared to admit Canton's rights in the matter and to act on it.

BIG POLITICAL CONFERENCE.

In order that the present negotiations may not be obstructed, it being the desire of the Canton Government to reach an amicable settlement, all Labour movements in connection with the dispute have been stopped, according to word received from Tse Ting-pak, the leader of the Labour Guilds in Kwangtung. This was in reply to a query as to the object of the agitation fed by propaganda so much in evidence in Labour circles in Canton lately. At an early date this month, Mr. Tse said, a central conference will be held of the Kuomintang adherents, and delegates from overseas settlements, from America and Australia, and from several parts of China, will assemble in Canton to discuss the question of the surplus.

XMAS DAY TRAGEDY.

BOY AND GIRL BURNT TO DEATH.

A boy and a girl, aged six and two years respectively, were burnt to death in a matchless fire at Stanley on Christmas day.
 The father, on returning home from work, found the shed ablaze and made frantic efforts to enter the blazing structure to rescue his children, but the heat and flames daunted him. The shed was finally burned to the ground, with the boy and girl inside.
 It is believed that the children were boiling tea and that one of them knocked over the chatty which caused the outbreak.

TO-DAY.

Closing Exchange 2s. 3. 13/16.
 Barometer 2 p.m. 30.19
 Temperature 2 p.m. 69
 Humidity 2 p.m. 64
 Lighting Up-Time 5.51 p.m.

NEWS IN THE ADS.

The General Officer Commanding, China Command, brings to the notice of all concerned that inhabitants suffering soldiers to contract debts, do so at their own risk.
 The Royal Hongkong Golf Club require the services of a Secretary who will be required to devote the whole of his time to the interests of the Club.
 Shops and Offices are available in the China Building (Old Post Office site).
 A meeting will be held at the Peak Club at 6 p.m. on the 7th inst. for the purpose of inaugurating a Pack of Wolf Cubs in connection with the Boy Scout Movement. Parents and all interested are cordially invited to attend.

that a delegate arrived at Canton a week ago with an offer from Tuan Chi-jui, ex-Premier at Peking, and leader of the Anfu political club, to the Canton Government for co-operation in a military campaign to oust the clique now in power at Peking. It is understood that the delegate was received by Dr. Sun, and an understanding arrived at before the departure of the delegate.

CRITICISM OF HONGKONG.

In the course of a leading article on the Canton Customs, the North China Daily News states:—
 One other aspect of this regrettable incident must be mentioned, in view of the violent attack, recently made by a northern foreign newspaper upon the Hongkong Government for the part it is supposed to have played in the controversy. How far the writer expected to improve matters by "calling names" in this manner, he does not seem to have stopped to reflect. It is patent that Hongkong would be the first to suffer by any labour outbreak in Canton and must watch the situation with anxiety. But it certainly does not follow that Hongkong would deliberately go behind the back of the Diplomatic Body to "give it away." That would be a palpable disloyalty. It cannot, however, be ignored that there is a want of liaison between Hongkong and the Diplomatic Body, which did not exist in bygone years and ought not to exist now. To what extent this derives from the fact that Hongkong is under the Colonial Office and the British Legation under the Foreign, to what, that Hongkong is a single colonial administration, while the British Minister is but one of an international posse, we do not pretend to know. But the interests of both, as being wholly bound up in the affairs of China, are so largely identical, that it is of the utmost importance that both should be guided by the fullest mutual understanding.

HOME POLITICAL CRISIS.

COALITION OR LABOUR?

(Reuter's Service.)

London, January 2.
 A more definite light is shed on the letter sent to Mr. Baldwin by the executive of the City of London Conservative Association, which is one of the principal topics in connection with the political situation. A meeting of the executive, including, *inter alia*, Mr. Hunsdon, Sir F. G. Banbury, and Sir L. Worthington-Evans was held to-day, at the conclusion of which it was decided to decline to divulge the contents of the letter which was sent on December 18, but to make a general statement on their views, declaring the formation of a Labour Government was contrary to the will of the people and would be highly injurious to the nation's domestic and foreign policy, therefore either a Conservative or Liberal Government should be formed, with the support of the other, and in the event of a Conservative Ministry proving impossible, the committee hopes the Conservatives will support a Liberal administration.
 London, January 2.
 It is reported that Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, who is busy Cabinet making, has offered the Colonial Secretaryship to Mr. Sidney Webb.

INDIA AND AFGHANISTAN.

ALLEGATIONS BY MOSLEM AGITATORS.

Cocanada, January 3.
 In a statement before the committee of the All-India Congress, Mr. Shaikat Ali denied that he and his brother, Mr. Mohamed Ali, had acted as agents to the Amir for the purpose of founding a Moslem Empire in India. He alleged that the Government were at present provoking a fight with Afghanistan, and added that if war were declared the Mussulmans would start civil disobedience. The All brothers begged the Hindus to do their utmost to prevent war, and suggested that a deputation of Hindus, including Mr. Gandhi, and prominent Mussulmans, should visit the frontier and discuss matters with the Afghans.

TURKS PUSH THE WEDGE FURTHER.

PILOTING BARRED TO EUROPEANS.

Constantinople, January 2.
 Basing their action on the Treaty of Lausanne, the Turkish authorities have notified the foreign shipping companies operating here that all loading and unloading operations and customs formalities and pilotage must be performed by Moslem Turks. No Europeans are to be allowed to board steamers in port in connection with these services. Foreign shipping agents are discussing the situation. The question of pilotage affects the safety of ships in Turkish waters, and the supply of Turkish pilots is inadequate whilst the quality leaves much to be desired.

SERIOUS PARIS FLOODS.

DISASTROUS RISE IN THE SEINE.

Paris, January 2.
 The Seine has risen six metres above the normal and is still rising. It has reached the disastrous flood level of 1910. The capital is already beginning to flood, necessitating closing of the D'Orsay and Invalides stations. The situation in a number of suburbs is serious, families being driven from their homes. Provisions have been distributed in boats, notably at Rueil, where rafts have replaced the trams.

EMPIRE EXHIBITION TO CLOSE ON SUNDAYS.

London, January 2.
 It is officially announced that the British Empire Exhibition will not be open on Sundays, except the Stadium for certain religious events, for example, the National Thanksgiving Service on Empire Sunday, May 25th.

BRITISH WARSHIPS AT SOUTH AFRICA.

Capt. Town, January 2.
 The visit of the special service squadron of British warships concluded with the departure of the battle cruisers Hood and Repulse for Mossel Bay and other ports on the coast. The warships had an enthusiastic send-off.

CAPTURE OF FRONTIER MURDERERS.

Delhi, January 2.
 A message from Landak says that Shinwar tribesmen concerned in the murder of Major Fennis in Baluchistan have been captured. Four others are still evading the vigilance militia.

SHORT-LIVED GREEK MINISTRY.

Athens, January 2.
 In the National Assembly, Colonel Gonatas announced the resignation of the Government.

HONGKONG FOLK IN AMERICA.



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defeated Shanghai.

On the first day the Interporters
batted first and put together a
very good total of 241 of which A.
E. Wood was responsible for a fine
85. T. Pearce only missed his half
century by a bare couple of runs.
The Rest also batted well and
though they had a bit of a tail More
came up trumps, and contributed
91 to a total of 281. At the
conclusion of the two innings
play ceased till yesterday. The
Interporters then proceeded to do
better than on the previous day,
solidly batting all through the team
enabling them to compile 285 for 9
wickets.

This set the Rest a very big task
and they failed to accomplish it,
only getting about half the
necessary runs. Mitchell, Webster,
More and Hancock helped the score
along well but the later batsmen
were particularly weak and the
innings closed for 182. Owen
Hughes was the bowler to cause
the Rest trouble. He took 6
wickets for 45 runs. In the first
innings he failed to get a wicket.

Interport Team 1st Innings.

G. R. Sayer, c Webster, b	
Lammert, c Sub b Rumpah	14
A. A. Rumpah, b Donnelly	20
Rev. E. K. Quick, b Bowker	0
T. E. Pearce, c England, b	48
Donnelly	48
H. Owen Hughes, c England, b	5
Donnelly	5
Capt. E. R. S. Dods, b More	15
H. N. Balhatchet, l.b.w. Bow-	0
ker	0
A. E. Wood, c and b Lammert	85
U. M. Omar, c and b Bowker	5
H. E. Hollands, b Webster	12
F. J. Ling, not out	18
Extras	30
Total	281

Bowling Analysis—	
O. M. E. W.	
Lammert	145 2 63 2
Bowker	25 5 56 3
Webster	16 0 54 1
Donnelly	6 1 17 3
More	7 0 42 1

The Rest 1st Innings.

F. J. de Rome, retired hurt	27
E. J. R. Mitchell, b Balhatchet	2
R. E. A. Webster, c Balhatchet	14
b Quick	2
A. C. I. Bowker, c Rumpah, b	2
Omar	2
G. R. Sayer, c Owen Hughes, b	0
Rumpah	91
R. Hancock, l.b.w. Sayer	36
E. G. England, b Ling	11
H. S. Hett, st Wood, b Rumpah	18
F. G. Miller, b Rumpah	1
E. G. Lammert, not out	1
D. E. Donnelly, st Wood, b	0
Rumpah	0
Extras	21
Total	281

Bowling Analysis—	
O. M. E. W.	
Quick	16 3 18 1
Balhatchet	12 5 10 1
Omar	5 0 28 0
Owen Hughes	3 0 28 0
Sayer	7 0 11 1
Ling	6 0 22 1
Rumpah	42 0 19 1

Interport Team 2nd Innings.

Sayer, c Hett b Bowker	11
Hollands, c More b Donnelly	34
E. K. Quick, b Lammert	23
T. G. Pearce, b More	67
Owen Hughes, l.b.w. Hett	15
Wood, b Lammert	15
Rumpah, c More b Lammert	6
Dods, l.b.w. Lammert	0
Balhatchet, not out	27
Ling, l.b.w. Lammert	0
Omar, did not bat	0
Extras	54
Total	285

Bowling Analysis—	
O. M. E. W.	
Lammert	22 3 93 5
Bowker	18 1 33 1
Donnelly	6 1 42 1
Webster	6 1 25 1
Hett	3 1 18 1
More	5 1 18 1

The Rest 2nd Innings.

Mitchell, c Rumpah, b Hughes	22
Webster, c Sub b Rumpah	37
Bowker, c Rumpah b Hughes	0
More, run out	25
Hancock, c and b Hughes	42
England, c Pearce b Ling	7
Robertson, c Sugar b Hughes	0
Lammert, c Wood b Ling	1
Hett, c Wood b Hughes	1
McMaster, c and b Hughes	1
Donnelly, not out	5
Extras	21
Total	212

Bowling Analysis—	
O. M. E. W.	
Quick	7 1 29 1
Balhatchet	8 3 22 1
Rumpah	8 2 30 1
Hughes	14 2 45 6
Ling	7 1 13 2

Hongkong C.C. v. Craigengower.

On New Year's Day Craigengower
entertained a Hongkong C.C. team
in a friendly match and were
beaten by 27 runs. The visitors,
who were well represented, put
together exactly 200, of which
Perry compiled 67. No less than
seven of the Craigengower team
were called on by their Captain
to take the ball and six of them
took a wicket, Bradbury being the
most successful with three for 15.

Bradbury was also very suc-
cessful with the bat and in
addition to his bowling hit
up 56, going in first wicket
down. Grimes topped the 30 mark
but apart from this the Happy
Valley men did little of note.
For the Hongkong side, Capt
Walker took 6 wickets for 37 runs.
Score.

Hongkong C. C.

P. Jacks, l.b.w. Paice	1
Walker, b Fritz	13
G. H. Perry, c Paice b Law	67
ence	07
E. C. Hazen, c and b Abbas	28
Baron, st Dennis b Moore	36
D. H. F. McMaster Dennis b	0
Bradbury	14
Haigh, st Dennis b Bradbury	19
W. Breckenridge, c Dennis b	4
Bradbury	1
R. C. Bridger, c Moore b Abbas	1
H. H. Taylor, absent	0
Crowley, not out	1
Extras	16
Total	200

Bowling Analysis—	
O. M. E. W.	
Paice	7 1 30 1
Fritz	8 1 36 1
S. Abbas	7 2 25 2
Y. Abbas	5 1 20 1
Lawrence	4 1 21 1
Bradbury	7 2 15 3

Craigengower.

D. Fritz, c Baron b Walker	10
F. Lawrence, c Perry b Walker	5
B. W. Bradbury b Hazen	56
T. Grimes, c Baron b Perry	33
H. Dennis, c Sub b Walker	16
E. Worthing b Walker	0
Y. Abbas, c Bridger, b Hazen	19
E. Moore, c Hazen b Walker	1
A. A. Paice, c Perry b Walker	0
S. Abbas, not out	6
W. B. Muskett, b Hazen	7
Extras	18
Total	173

Bowling Analysis—

O. M. E. W.	
Walker	10 2 37 0
Hazen	14 2 67 3
Baron	5 1 28 1
Perry	1 1 28 1

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October last, a new parliament
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MANDATE ISSUED FIXING
ELECTION DATES.

Peking, Jan. 1.—A mandate
issued yesterday evening fixes the
14th of April for the preliminary
elections of representatives and
the 14th of May for the finals. It
explains that as the term of the

OBITUARY.

DR. JULIAN PETT.

(Our Own Correspondent.)
Shanghai, Jan. 1.
Funeral services were held yes-

terday for Dr. Julian Pett, a
prominent American physician,
who died suddenly on Tuesday
morning following cerebral hemor-
rhage. He was a native of Joplin,
Missouri, forty-one years old, and
came to China as a medical mis-
sionary in 1915. He was station-
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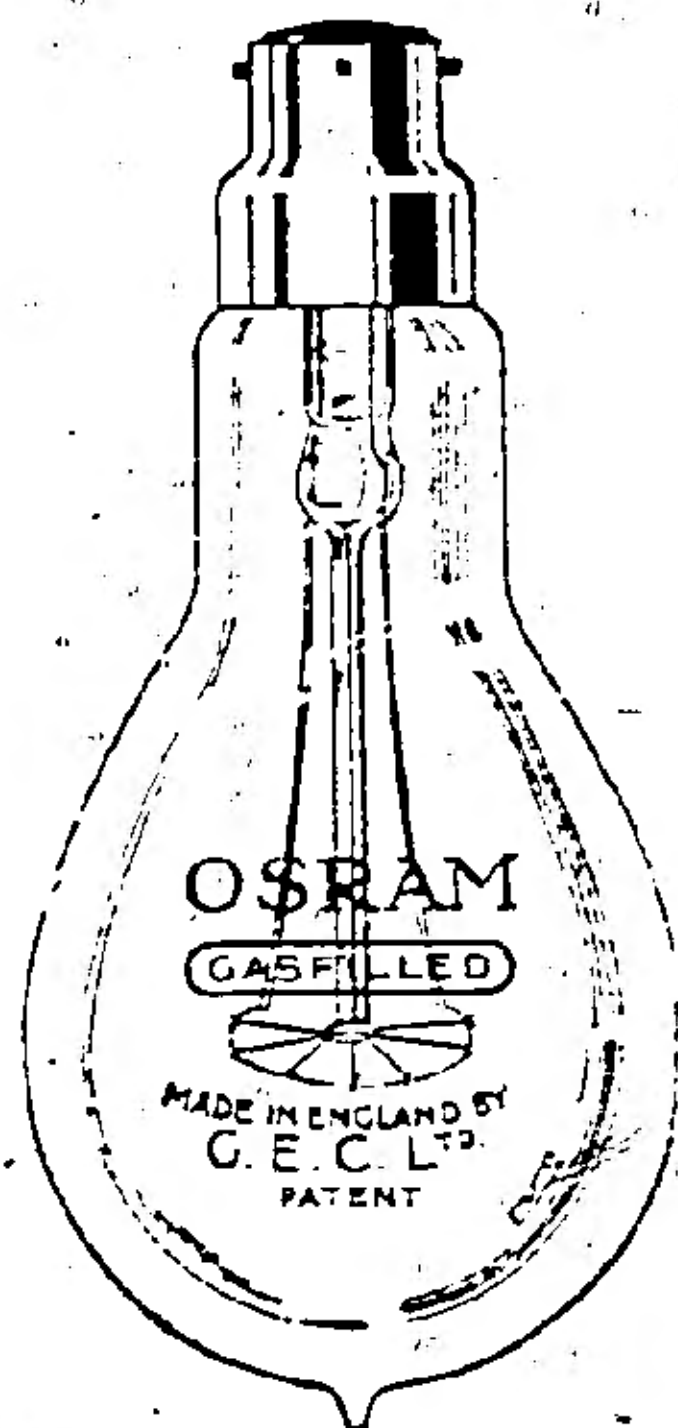
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UNITED STATES AND MEXICO.

Mexico City, Jan. 2.

President Obregon has officially thanked President Coolidge for the munitions sold to him. Representative Fairchild of New Jersey is preparing a bill prohibiting the Government from selling arms to any foreign power.

AMERICAN FINANCES.

Washington, Jan. 2.

America's net treasury balance is two hundred and eighty-four millions, which encourages officials to believe that the income tax is possible of reduction.

AMERICA'S NEW YEAR'S CHEER.

New York, Jan. 2.

Newspapers declare that the police and the saloon-keepers bamboozled the prohibitionists when they declared the annual celebration dry. The police say that the celebration was orderly and very little liquor was found. There were six arrests only.

PANAMA CANAL INADEQUATE.

Washington, Jan. 2.

The Panama Canal passed 5,048 vessels during the year. The total income was nearly \$23,000,000, showing that an additional canal or the enlargement of the existing one to be necessary at the earliest date.

(Reuter's Service)

THE RUSSIAN SPLIT.

London, Jan. 1.

Reports from Riga state that the struggle within the Communist party in Russia is being renewed as fiercely as ever. It is stated that the Central group is determined to drop M. Trotsky unless he unconditionally accepts their views with regard to the formation of internal groups. The Pravda prints an official reply to Trotsky's recent articles uncompromisingly criticising him and accusing him of anti-Leninism and wilfully sowing dissension for his own tactical purposes. One report asserts that a secret meeting of the political department and party leaders has decided, if the opposition is increased, to undertake serious measures, including the arrest and banishment of leaders.

Riga, Jan. 1.

Wholesale arrests, at the political bureaus in an ostensible campaign against drug traffickers, contrabandists and other parasites are causing a panic in Moscow. Whole families are reported to have been banished to North Russia. The arrested include many supporters of the new economic policy and the fact that dissatisfied workmen have been promised the vacated flats has encouraged the belief in some quarters that a new attempt to return to pure communism is being made in consequence of the present agitation in political circles.—Reuter.

INDEPENDENT FRANCE.

Paris, Jan. 1.

M. Loucheur, in a speech on France's colonial policy, deprecated the dependence of France on Britain and the United States for wool and cotton. He declared that it was undoubtedly possible for the French colonies to furnish France with her supplies of wool and cotton. The Ministry of the Colonies had recently appealed directly to those interested. The Turcoining Chamber of Commerce had sent marine sheep to Madagascar where, after the rainy season, it would be possible to say if they were becoming acclimatised. A similar experiment was being tried in the valley of the Niger and also in Morocco. M. Loucheur estimated that in a decade France would be largely independent of foreign wool imports. The question of cotton production was more difficult. A vast programme of irrigation between the Niger and Ouabangui was being studied, but it must be years before it was realised. Irrigation had been undertaken south of Timbuctou and over 3,500 acres of cotton were already being cultivated and the first results had been excellent. The Ministry was negotiating with manufacturers in France in connection with the development of cotton growing in Dahomey, the Ivory Coast and Guinea, where eventually two-thirds of France's requirements might be produced.—Reuter.

OBITUARY.

London, Jan. 2.

The death is announced of the Hon. S. Baring-Gould, the famous author.—Reuter.

(The Hon. Sabine Baring-Gould was born 28th Jan., 1834, at Exeter. He was curate of Horbury, Yorkshire in 1864. Vicar of Dalton, Yorkshire in 1866, and Rector of East Mersea, Essex in 1871. His publications date from 1854 to 1920 and are very numerous. His latest were "The Church Revival" and "The Evangelical Revival.")

HOLLAND'S CABINET CRISIS.

The Hague, Dec. 31.

The leaders of the Right parties in the Second Chamber, Messrs. Nolens, Rutgers and Schokking, have asked the Queen's permission to decline the task of forming a Cabinet.—Reuter.

RECIPROCAL COPYRIGHT LAWS.

Washington, Jan. 1.

The United States and Canada have agreed to a reciprocal copyright arrangement, effective to-morrow. Citizens of the United States may obtain copyrights in Canada under the Canadian Copyright Law and Canadians vice versa.—Reuter's American Service.

SIR AUCKLAND GEDDES LEAVES FOR U.S.

London, Jan. 2.

Sir Auckland Geddes left for New York on the Majestic today to clear up his affairs and bid farewell to his friends in the United States. Sir Robert Horne also left for New York this morning on a five weeks' business trip.—Reuter.

FIVE HOURS' HAND-SHAKING.

New York, Jan. 2.

It is estimated that nearly ten thousand lined up outside the White House on New Year morning and that President Coolidge, who looked very well and cheerful, was shaking hands according to New Year's custom, for five hours continuously.—Reuter's American Service.

SWITZERLAND'S SEVERE WINTER.

Geneva, Jan. 2.

In consequence of heavy snowfall, Switzerland is experiencing the biggest avalanches for a century. Five were killed and 23 injured in five days. Sixty buildings have been destroyed, many forests swept away, numerous cattle killed and communications interrupted.—Reuter.

NOTICE.

BUSINESS NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the business heretofore carried on in this Colony by Joao Maria da Rocha and Alberto Demo Barretto under the firm name of J. M. da Rocha & Co. is on this date transferred to and taken over by J. M. da Rocha who will continue to carry on same under the firm name of J. M. da Rocha & Co.

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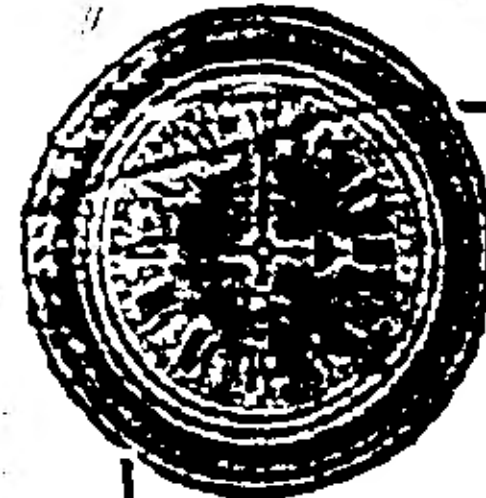
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of The Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, No. 3 Queen's Road, Central, Victoria, Hongkong, at noon on the 18th day of December, 1923, when the sub-joined resolution will be proposed as an Extraordinary Resolution that is to say:—

"That the Company be wound up voluntarily."

AND NOTICE IS ALSO HEREBY GIVEN that a further Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the same time and place on the 4th day of January, 1924, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the proceedings at the above mentioned meeting and of confirming if thought fit as a Special Resolution the above mentioned Resolution.

A further Resolution will be proposed at the second meeting for the appointment of a Liquidator or Liquidators for the purposes of such winding up and fixing his or their remuneration.

L. S. GREENHILL,
Acting Secretary to
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.,
General Agents for
The Kowloon Land & Building Company, Limited.
Hongkong, 30th. Nov., 1923.

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NOTICE.

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HONGKONG BOY SCOUTS ASSOCIATION.

WOLF CUBS ON THE PEAK

A meeting will be held at the Peak Club at 6 p.m. on Monday next January 7th, to start a Pack of Wolf Cubs for boys of 6-9 years old resident in the Peak District. Parents and all interested are cordially invited to attend. The principles and methods of the Organisation will be briefly explained.

G. T. WALDEGRAVE,
Commissioner, H.K.B.S.A.

NOTICE.

THE interest and responsibility in our firm of Mr. Edward John Chapman having ceased as from the 31st of December 1923, we have this day taken into partnership Mr. Harry Greenwood A.C.A.

LINSTEAD & DAVIS,
Chartered Accountants,
1st. January 1924.

NOTICE. SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT.

Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels Ltd.
FRIDAY 4TH JANUARY.
There will be no Tea Dance in the Hongkong Hotel on the above date.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB. NOTICE.

An Extraordinary General Meeting of the Club will be held in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd., on **THURSDAY, the 10th January, 1924, at 5 p.m.**

The purposes for which the Meeting is called are:

(a) To confirm the following resolutions passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting held on 12th December, 1923.

1. That the Rules of Racing made by the Hongkong Jockey Club be amended by adding after Rule No. 11 the following Rule:

11a. After the Annual Race Meeting 1924 a China Pony is a horse measuring 13 hands 3 inches and under.

2. That the said Rules of Racing be amended by striking out Rule No. 77 and substituting the following:

77. The weight for China Ponies shall be 140 pounds for 12 hands with an additional 3 pounds for every complete inch above that height. Fractions of an inch to count in favour of the Pony.

Any Pony measuring 14 hands (fractions of an inch to count in favour of the Pony) and under shall be eligible to compete at the Annual Race Meeting in 1924 in any race reserved for China Ponies.

After the Annual Race Meeting 1924, any China Pony, which measures over 13 hands 3 inches, to be ineligible to compete in any race reserved for China Ponies (fractions of an inch over 13 hands 3 inches not to count).

11a. After the Annual Race Meeting 1924 the Stewards may refuse to accept the entry of any Pony, which in their opinion is not a China Pony. They may, at their discretion, appoint a Committee of Inspection. The Stewards' decision shall be final.

3. That Rule No. 24 of the Rules and Regulations of the Hongkong Jockey Club be amended to read:

24. The Stewards have power to draw up and settle the programme and fix the date or dates for any Race Meeting.

4. That Rule No. 76 of the Rules of Racing made by the Hongkong Jockey Club be unchanged.

(b) To propose a resolution adopting the revised Rules and Regulations of the Club as circulated to the Members, in which the following new provisions have been made:

1. For the division of the Members of the Club into voting and Non-Voting or Ordinary Members.

2. For Lady Racing Members.

3. For the increase of the Entrance Fee to the Club.

4. For Visiting Members.

5. For the appointment of a Secretary.

6. For the alteration of the date upon which subscriptions were payable and other minor alterations.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1924.

NOTICE.

MR. EDWARD BENJAMIN RAYMOND having resigned, his interest and responsibility in our Firm ceases as from this date, 1st January 1924.

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HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB

ANNUAL RACE MEETING 1924.

ENTRIES for the FORTHCOMING RACES close on Saturday 19th instant at 3 p.m. and must be sent to the Jockey Club Rooms, 3a, Chater Road on this date.

Entry Forms are now ready and can be had at the Jockey Club Stables, the Jockey Club Rooms (Hongkong Club Annex Chater Road) or Messrs. Linstead & Davis, Alexandra Buildings.

INTERPORT RUGBY.

HONGKONG LOSSES TO SHANGHAI.

The much-looked-forward-to Interport Rugby match between Hongkong and Shanghai took place on the ground of the Hongkong Football Club yesterday afternoon and, to the surprise of the Hongkong team and supporters, ended in a win for Shanghai by six points to three. The Hongkong team had shown up so well the previous week when playing against the Navy that it was not expected that Shanghai would send down a fifteen to beat them, but that Shanghai did so redounds all the more to their credit.

There was a big attendance in the stand, among those present being H.E. the Governor and Lady Stubbs, General Sir John Fowler, Admiral Sir Arthur Leveson and many of the Colony's prominent residents. The weather proved to be ideal, though the ground was on the hard side.

Of the game itself, it has to be said right away that it was keenly contested and productive of good rugby football. Logan was not able to turn out for Hongkong, and Easterbrook was brought in to make up the three-quarter line. Cleland moving out to the wing. The full teams were—

Hongkong—Full back, S.E. King; three-quarter backs, O. Skinner, J. A. D. Morrison, C.B. Easterbrook and H. E. Cleland; Half-backs, W. J. Clerk and A. C. I. Bowker; forwards, H.R. Forsyth, J. Ralston, H. E. D. Adams, H. H. Day, J. Miller, V. R. Jones, A. C. Groves and W. R. Andrews.

Shanghai—Full back, G.R. Nicholl; three-quarter backs, J. Shaw, C. R. W. Thomson, H. W. P. McMeekin and G. F. W. Richard; half-backs, R. L. S. Webb and G. E. Golden, forwards, W. E. D. Smith, E. J. Dowley, J. C. Stewart, E. A. Jenkinson, B. S. Stephenson, S. A. Grew, W. D. Neil and T. Leach.

Referee—Lt.-Col. B. A. Hill, D.S.O.; linesmen, G. G. N. Tinson and D. L. King.

Hongkong's defeat is the story of a three-quarter line that did not make the best use of its opportunities. The Colony's pack was a hefty and hard-working one and usually got the better of the visitors either in a scrum or rush. The visiting halves worked faster than did Hongkong's, with the result that the Shanghai three-quarter string were better fed and, when they were fed, they were always dangerous, their passing and manoeuvring being a treat to watch. Hongkong's line had many opportunities, however, but they either fumbled the leather or failed to make a well-thought-out movement. Hongkong struggled hard to overcome their own failings, but Shanghai were always more treasuring.

The first score took place after about fifteen minutes' play. Following a scrum in the Hongkong 25, Webb secured and, after making good headway, passed to Thompson, who transferred to McMeekin, he in turn giving to Richard, Shanghai's speedy left-winger. Richard beat the Colony's back in speed and touched-down near the corner. McMeekin failed to convert. There was no further score in the first half.

Shanghai added another three points to their score after play had been resumed about 20 minutes. Another nice three-quarter movement, in which the same men handled, saw Richard again register a try. McMeekin again failing with the kick. It was near the close of play that Hongkong got over, as the result of a strong forward rush. The men went over in a body, and it was hard to see from the stand just what happened. Apparently, Day had the ball at the time and just managed to touch it down before it was "saved." Bowker took the kick and he had had luck in not converting, the ball going just outside the uprights. Soon after, the final whistle sounded, Shanghai thus being the winners of a good game by six points to three.

The game was a clean one and there was only one stop for injuries. Dowley, one of the Shanghai forwards, hurting his right leg. After treatment he resumed his place amid cheering.

Cheers for the two teams concluded a memorable afternoon.

To-day, the visitors are playing the Navy.

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POLICE SPORTS.

HAPPY NEW YEAR
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The annual athletic sports in connection with the Police Recreation Club took place on the Club grounds. Held as it was on New Year's Day the gathering provided an opportunity to members of the Force to entertain their many friends and exchange the season's greetings. Among the large attendance were noticed Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe (Captain Superintendent of Police) and Mrs. Wolfe, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. King, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. W. Whitehouse, Mr. and Mrs. D. Burlingham, Mr. J. W. Franks (Superintendent of Victoria Gaol) and Mrs. Franks. Several of the races were devoted to children and these were keenly contested. The merriment for the younger folk, however, was in the main sustained by the droolings of Messrs Ward and Hutchins, who impersonated a clown and Father Christmas.

At the end of the sports Mr. Grant, Chairman of the Club, invited Mr. Wolfe to give away the prizes and also trophies won in the Club's 1923 competitions in tennis, lawn bowls and cricket. Mr. Grant thanked the many prize-winners and those who had assisted in organising the sports.

Mr. Wolfe replied on behalf of his wife after she had distributed the prizes. He said he was glad to notice that younger people had come forward to take the places of older ones in the organisation of functions such as that of the afternoon, paying a special tribute to the energetic secretary, Mr. A. V. Baker. A Secretary's job was no sinecure, Mr. Wolfe said, and generally more criticism was received than help. Mr. Wolfe said the thoughts of those present would go to those who were absent, especially the officers wounded in the Yamato shooting affair, for whose speedy recovery they all wished. The Governor had sent him a letter, requesting him to convey to all police officers concerned his admiration of their conduct.

Cheers for the ladies, the Committee and others brought the proceedings to an end.

The following were the results of the afternoon's sports:

Girls' handicap under 10:—1, Helen Grimmett; 2, Mavis Glendinning; 3, Julian Eamer.

Boys' handicap under 10:—1, Stephen Eamer; 2, Douglas Taylor; 3, Teddy Cotton.
Men's Boat Race:—1, J. Dick; 2, A. J. Taylor.
Ladies' Coconut Shy:—1, Miss N. Purdon; 2, Mrs. K. Taylor; 3, Master Carpenter.

Gents' under 40 Heaps:—1, J. Dick; 2, F. Post; 3, F. Simpson.
Gents' over 40 Heaps:—1, T. H. King; 2, Wander West; 3, E. D. C. Wolfe.
Girls' Handicap over 10:—1, B. Taylor; 2, B. Eamer; 3, Elsie Whitshire.

Boys' Heaps 10 and over:—1, L. Glendinning; 2, J. Clark; 3, H. Gerrard.

Ladies' Thread and Needle:—1, Mr. Simpson and Mrs. A. Clark; 2, Mr. Thorpe and Mrs. Gerrard; 3, Mr. Cotton and Mrs. Appleton.
Ladies' Egg and Spoon Race:—1, Miss Gerrard; 2, Mrs. Didsbury; 3, Mrs. Eamer.

Tennis.

Club Championship:—1, A. Grimmett; 2, C. Eamshaw.
Men's Handicap:—1, A. Grimmett; 2, N. J. Watts.

Lawn Bowls.

Club Championship:—1, A. Grimmett; 2, A. W. Smith; 3, W. Glendinning.

Novices: 1, J. P. Putt; 2, P. Condon; 3, A. Reynolds.

Club Handicap: 1, W. Glendinning; 2, W. G. Gerrard.
Shield Competition Winners: Messrs McLeod, Grimmett, Glendinning and Moss.
Runners-Up: Messrs Main, Grant, Condon and Shepherd.

Cricket.

Batting Challenge Cup: C. F. Alexander.
Bowling Challenge Cup: C. Eamshaw.

HOME FOOTBALL.

NEW YEAR MATCHES.

London, Jan. 1.—The following matches were played to-day:

First League.

Blackburn R. 4 Notts C. 1
Bolton W. 1 Birmingham 1
Liverpool 3 Chelsea 1
Manchester C. 1 Tottenham H. 0
Middlesbrough 0 Cardiff City 1
Newcastle U. 4 Aston Villa 1
Sheffield U. 0 West Ham U. 2
Sunderland 3 Everton 0
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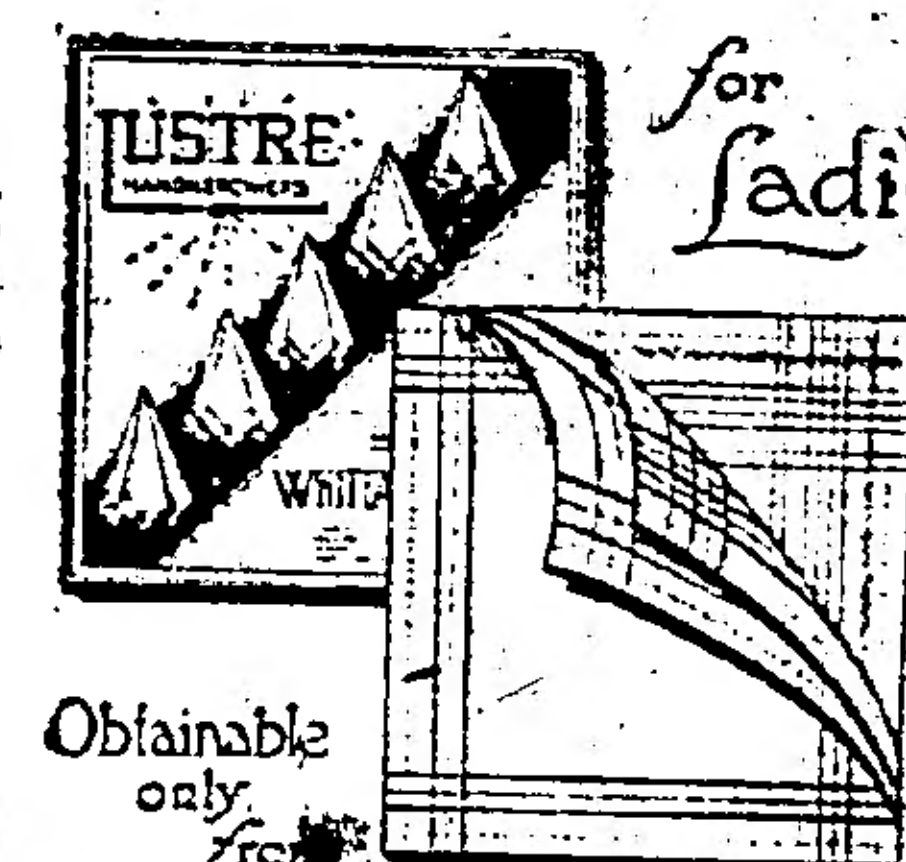
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BIRTH.

ALSTON.—On December 25,
1923, at the Memorial Hospital,
Nanking, to Mr. and Mrs. John
Alston, a daughter.

DEATHS.

TATAM.—At the Matilda Hos-
pital, Hongkong, on 3rd January,
1924, Jessie Tatam, aged 55 years.
Funeral passes the Monument
to-day at 5 p.m.

HUNTER.—At London, on the
31st December, H. E. R. Hunter,
late of the Hongkong and Shang-
hai Banking Corporation.

The Telegraph.

HONGKONG, 3rd Jan., 1924.

BALKAN BROTH.

There is, always something
stewing in the Balkans, and
sometimes it bubbles up and
threatens to boil over, then sim-
mers down, but occasionally it
does boil over and causes a
general mess. There seem two
"remedies" for this state of
affairs—failing a peace pact
among all the little States con-
cerned—the first being to let the
different peoples fight it out with
each other, and the second being
for the bigger nations to interfere,
like big policemen enforcing
peace amongst squabbling street
arabs. This latter policy has its
good points, provided the differ-
ent Powers concerned can come
to an amicable understanding
and not themselves seek interests
in the Near East which clash
with those of the other powerful
nations. Such a situation as this
can only lead to intrigue and
counter intrigue, in which there
is always the grave possibility
that the Balkan States will be
used, as pawns in the game
being played by their pseudo
protectors. It is in such cases
that a body like the League of
Nations can play an important
part in determining the rights
and wrongs of a dispute, and
thus preserve the peace of the
world; so the more regrettable
it is that the League is actually
impatient.

The news cables of the last
few days incline one to the view
that the big game of international
chess is taking on a new
aspect. Serbia (now added to and
going by the name of Yugo-Slavia)
has been quarrelling with her old
enemy Bulgaria. The Bulgars

were enemies of the Allies in the
Great War, so appear to have
been left out in the cold. Ap-
parently they are the only
nation in the Balkans who have
no prospects of receiving a loan.
Loans to the other States have
been turned to militaristic pur-
poses. Ill feeling between those
who should be allies in spirit as
well as in fact is being aroused
by the recent alliance between
France and Czechoslovakia.
Evidently it does not quite meet
with the approval of Great
Britain and Italy. There are
fresh ingredients being added to
the Balkan broth, and the fire
beneath the cauldron is being
stirred up. It looks a more than
ever indigestible mixture, with
a great deal too many cooks
concerned.

The Customs Dispute.

There are people who expected
that, in the event of the reply of
Sir Francis Aglen to the demand
of the Canton Government for a
share of the Customs surplus
being found unsatisfactory, Dr.
Sun Yat-sen would take matters
into his own hands along lines
which he has already indicated.
We are pleased to note, however,
that, although dissatisfied with
the reply, the Canton Government
thinks that the wisest course is
to continue the negotiations
rather than to precipitate matters
by specific acts. We can quite
see Mr. C. C. Wu's point that it
does not matter whether there is
any surplus or not—the Canton
Government wants a definite
answer to its claim, on a point of
the principle involved. At the
same time, we cannot see that
much has been gained by address-
ing the demand to the Inspector
General of Customs, who is, after
all said and done, a servant of
the Central Government and who,
therefore, can surely exercise no
power in the allocation of the
surplus. The Customs revenue
has many obligations to meet, for
it must not be overlooked that the
Central Government in 1921 defi-
nitely assigned the balance of
the revenues, after the payment
of foreign obligations, to the
formation of a Sinking Fund for
the protection of subscribers to
the National Loans. It is true
that Sir Francis Aglen controls
the National Loans Consolidated
Service, but he acts as a servant
of the Peking Government. Can-
ton's claim, it seems to us, is
more for the Central Government
to deal with than for Sir Francis
Aglen to decide. When the Canton
authorities secured a proportion
of the surplus some years ago,
they obtained it with the consent
of the Central Government. Only
by the latter's approval can they
hope to get a share now. In
saying so much, we are treating
the question from the standpoint
that this matter of the surplus is
a purely internal one. That is
the Canton argument. We can
well see, however, the possi-
bility of other aspects develop-
ing which would cause the subject
to be one of decided concern to
foreign interests.

Sun and Chan.

The *Canton Gazette* gives con-
siderable prominence to a report
in a vernacular paper stating that
General Chan King-ming has
expressed his willingness to
negotiate for peace with Dr. Sun
Yat-sen. Such reports have been
frequently made during the past
year, but they have not been con-
firmed and have not led, so far as
we know, to direct negotiations.
We have not the least knowledge
as to whether this latest rumour
is well-founded. We should
like to think that it is, although
the enmity between Dr. Sun and
General Chan since they dissolved
friendship has been so intense
that we are naturally dubious on
the point. It would be a real
blessing to Canton and the whole
of South China if these two
leaders could compose their
differences. That would be the
first move towards stability in
Kwangtung and would result in
real benefits to both sides—of that,
we feel sure. Hongkong would
rejoice to witness such a rappro-
chement, which would have a
decided influence on the long-
awaited revival of commerce and
also lead to closer intercourse
between our own Government and
that of Canton. Chinese New
Year will soon be with us. What
a splendid start it would be if the
differences between Sun and
Chan were by that time finally
adjusted!

DAY BY DAY.

TELEVISION IS NO LONGER AN
IMPOSSIBILITY.—M. Beha.

Mr. H. P. White returned to
the Colony by the Fushimi Maru.

An organization with all the
attributes of the dreaded Moscow
"toheka" except the power of
death is reported to be at work
in Shanghai.

The Coronet have a film of un-
usual interest in "Peg O' My
Heart." Almost everyone has
seen the stage play, which makes
the appearance of a film version
all the more interesting.

Jackie Coogan, the boy who
became famous overnight in
"The Kid," with Chaplin, comes
to the Star to-day in "Trouble."
Little Jackie is the big man of
the picture, even though the
other people cast are all well
known in the movie world.

At the Magistracy this morn-
ing, Mr. J. R. Wood granted an
application made by the police
for the confiscation of twenty
revolvers and pistols and 1,600
rounds of ammunition seized on
the Hongkong-Kongmoon steam-
er Leung Kwong on New Year's
Eve.

Mr. G. B. Labrum, who has
been connected with Messrs.
Fraser and Neave, Ltd., for the
past ten years has been present-
ed with a silver cigarette case
from his Masonic Brethren, in
Bangkok. He leaves at the end
of the month to join his brother
of Ye Olde Printerie, Ltd., Hong-
kong.

The Portuguese Minister to
Peking returned to Hongkong
from Macao yesterday, having
been seen off from the latter port
by H.E. the Governor and many
officials and merchants. The
wharf was specially decorated
and a band was in attendance
with a guard of honour. The
Minister is on eight months' leave.

Dr. Lim Eng-hae, House-
Surgeon of the Government Civil
Hospital, has been granted a
Fellowship in Ophthalmology
by the China Medical Board
(Rockefeller Foundation) for fur-
ther studies at the Peking Union
Medical College, under the
famous Prof. Fuch (Jr.) of
Vienna. Dr. Lim is leaving the
Colony on the 7th instant by the
s.s. President Grant.

A chairmaker, of 8, Shauiwan
Road, was victimised to the
extent of \$91 in an armed robbery
on New Year's Day, three men
entering his shop in the morning.
Awakened by his son screaming,
the chairmaker got up from bed,
only to be pushed down by one
of the robbers, who, after having
taken \$30 from his pockets,
secured him to a bed post with a
piece of cloth. His wife was
relieved of a quantity of jewellery.

Information received from the
Government Civil Hospital this
afternoon was to the effect that
the condition of Sergeant
Robertson, who was shot during
the armed robbery at Yaumati
last week, has not improved. The
bullet has been located by X-Ray,
but, owing to the weak condition
of the patient, it has not been
deemed advisable to attempt a
second operation for its extrac-
tion. The condition of the Indian
Sergeant and of the two prisoners
is serious also.

Many Far Eastern residents
have heard with extreme regret of
the death, which occurred in Lon-
don on the last day of the Old Year,
of Mr. H. E. R. Hunter, of the
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking
Corporation, with which he had
been associated for over 30 years.
For many years, the deceased
was Chief Accountant of the
Bank in Hongkong, later becom-
ing manager in Shanghai. He was
extremely well known and highly
respected, being one of the
Bank's ablest servants.

Among the passengers arriving
by the Fushimi Maru was the
Rev. N. A. Peel, A. K. C., who
was recently appointed Assistant
Chaplain to the Missions to
Seamen in Hongkong by the
London Committee of this
Society. Mr. Peel has already
had considerable experience of
this work among seafarers,
having assisted in the ports of
Melbourne, London, and Rotter-
dam. He will at present be in
charge of the Kowloon Seamen's
Institute, and later on in the
year act as Superintendent and
Secretary during the absence on
leave of the Senior Chaplain.

SHIPPING JUDGMENT.

INDO-CHINA CO. WIN CASE.

The Chief Justice (Sir William
Rees-Davies) delivered judgment
this morning in the Supreme
Court on the action, Admiralty
Jurisdiction, in which the Indo-
China Steam Navigation Com-
pany, sued the owners of the s.s.
Montrose for damages as a result
of a collision which took place in
Manila Harbour during a typhoon
in August, 1920, between the s.s.
Yuensang and the s.s. Montrose.

The facts of the case, which
were fully stated at the time
of the trial, were that on the
afternoon of August 31st, the two
boats were lying close together
along the piers in Manila
Harbour. The Yuensang was
lying between No. 3 and No. 5
pier, whilst the Montrose was
lying alongside No. 5 pier. The
No. 1 typhoon signal was up until
4 o'clock in the afternoon, when
the No. 4 signal was hoisted, the
wind later increasing to typhoon
force. Whilst the Yuensang had
steam up, the Montrose did not,
and when the Yuensang tried to
get away from the pier a collision
took place between the steamers.
The owners of the Yuensang, the
Indo-China Company, were suing
the owners of the Montrose for
damages. The plaintiffs alleged
that the Montrose was negligent
in not having had steam up, but
the defendants denied negligence
and alleged that the Yuensang
was in fault for attempting to
leave the pier as she did.

His Lordship first reviewed at
some length the facts, the Manila
Government Regulations for ships
in harbour during typhoons, and
also the evidence. Proceeding,
he said it had not been challenged
that the Montrose was the only
vessel in harbour without steam
up. The defendants claimed that
the accident was inevitable and
even if the Montrose had had
steam up it would have made
no difference. "The authorities
establish that it is no excuse for
the master of a vessel to say that
he could not prevent the accident
when it occurred, if he neglected
to take measures of precaution
which would have rendered the
accident less probable. The
burden of preventing an inevit-
able accident is on the defendants.
I am not constrained to find
that the existence of steam in
the Montrose would, necessarily,
have averted the accident (in the
face of the evidence it would be
impossible to do so), but in my opinion
it cannot be gainsaid that the
existence of steam would have
rendered the accident less prob-
able. Furthermore, I am of
opinion that the master was
wanting in reasonable care and
caution in not having steam up
when the typhoon signals were
up and, in particular, in not get-
ting steam up at once when the
No. 4 signal was hoisted. This
is required by the Manila Govern-
ment Regulations and, if the
statement of the Pilot can be
construed as advising the master
not to keep up his steam, which
is I think most doubtful, the
master was not justified in acting
on it. I may add that the As-
sessor entirely concurs in the con-
clusion at which I have arrived."

His Lordship proceeded to refer
to the question of the moorings
of the Montrose and stated that
the Assessor had advised him that
the moorings were sufficient up
to 4 p.m., but that later, when the
No. 4 signal was hoisted, the
master, instead of doubling up
his forward moorings, should
have got out his port bow cable
and made a good breast spring to
the No. 5 pier. With this power-
ful mooring out he believed that
the ship would have ridden the
storm in safety. The question of
mooring was quite apart from the
question of steam on the main
engines of the Montrose on the
30th and 31st August under
the conditions of weather that
then existed and without any
particular reason, is wholly
inexcusable. In conclusion his
Lordship said that "the ship was
well found, with good engines
indicating 2,200 horse power, and
steaming, when loaded 10.5 knots,
and would, had she had a proper
head of steam, been in a position
to help herself very considerably
had occasion been needed to a
avoid a collision."

His Lordship made a declaration
that the plaintiffs were entitled to
damages and costs. He dismissed
the counter-claim with costs.
After some discussion between
his Lordship and counsel the
question of damages was wholly
referred to the Registrar.
Mr. Eldon Potter (instructed by
Messrs. Hastings and Hastings)
represented the plaintiffs, and
Mr. F. C. Jenkin and Mr.
Campbell Prosser (instructed by
Messrs. Deacon, Harston and
Shenton) were for the defence.

OLD RESIDENT
PASSES AWAY.

DEATH OF MRS. TATAM.

It is with much regret that we
have to record the death of Mrs.
Tatam, at the age of 55 years,
which took place at the Matilda
Hospital this morning.

The deceased lady, who was a
native of Cambridge, England,
was an old and respected resident
of the Colony, having lived here
for some thirty years. She
leaves a son in San Fran-
cisco, whilst Mr. David Gow, of
Kowloon Dock, married a daugh-
ter, who died at Home in
May, 1921. Mrs. Gow's little
daughter, Margaret, was later
brought out to Hongkong, and
the late Mrs. Tatam took a
very close interest in the child's
upbringing, being practically a
mother to her. Mrs. Tatam
was of a very bright and kindly
disposition, and she will be
missed by a large circle of
friends.

The funeral takes place this
evening at 5 o'clock.

LOCAL FOOTBALL.

MATCHES FOR SATURDAY.

[BY "QUIZ"]

The matches fixed for Saturday
are as follows—

INTERPORT TRIAL.

Whites v. Blues.—Club ground
4 p.m.

LEAGUE: DIV. II.

Iriquoise v. S. China "B".—Soo-
kumpoo "B" ground.

S. China "A" v. Filipinos.—
South China ground.

Sacred Heart v. Marazions.—
Sookumpoo "A" ground.

Club de Recreio v. Titania.—
St. Joseph's ground.

University v. Club.—Navy "A"
ground.

Kowloon v. Hollyhock.—Kow-
loon ground.

LEAGUE: DIV. I.

Hawins v. South China.—Club
ground, 2.30 p.m.

The game on the Club ground
is the final Interport Trial game.
After this game it is proposed to
pick the team to represent the
Colony against Shanghai, and as
the team is due to sail four weeks
to-day, it is necessary to get the
side together so that serious work
can be taken in hand. Several
new players are advertised to turn
out. Waivis in goal comes to
join the Tamar with a good re-
putation as a goal-keeper, having
played in the "Port" team at
home. Forsyth, although not
new to Hongkong football, is
being tried out in goal for the
first time. Several Surrey players
are included in the trial, while
L. Smith, of the R.G.A., makes
his first appearance in trial games.

In the Junior League, the
Iriquoise meet South China. "B"
on the Garrison ground and a
hard game should end in a win
for the "B" team. The "A" team
receive the Filipinos on the South
China ground, and the home side
should win.

The meeting of the Sacred
Heart and Marazion on the Gar-
rison "A" ground should be
evenly contested, and a draw
result. Club de Recreio and
Titania Reserves meet on St.
Joseph's ground, and a fast game
is expected. Both teams are in
good positions in the League, and
a win for either will place them
favourites.

University meet the Club
Reserves on the Navy ground,
and, on recent form, the Un-
iversity should register a win.
In the absence of the Durban
from port, Kowloon will be at
home to the Hollyhock in place
of the former ship. Kowloon
Reserves are playing in-and-out
football, and should they be out
of form this week, the sailors
will come away with two points.

Owing to the South China
team being so far behind in their
fixtures, it has been arranged to
play a Senior League game on
the Club ground before the Inter-
port Trial. Hawins will oppose
the South China team, and a very
fine game is expected. South
China, by beating the Despatch
yesterday in a League match by
a goal to nil, will start favourites
in this game, but with the Haw-
kins at full strength they may
drop a point.

The following will represent
the Club 2nd XI in their match
with the Hongkong University—
J. Wilson; H. T. Buxton, D.
Lyon; J. Gardner, E. W. Railton
(Capt.); S. Garrod; B. B. Bell; A.
Ferguson, A. Roberts, J. Douglas
and G. T. May. Reserves—
Paul and Williamson.

MOTOR BUS ACCIDENT.

TWO PASSENGERS INJURED.

In rounding a bend on the Kowloon City Road yesterday morning, motor bus No. 851, of the Kai Tack Company, toppled into a field near the Hongkong leather works.

Most of the passengers were thrown out, and two of them were seriously injured, a woman sustaining a broken rib, while a man fractured his leg. Both were taken to the Kwong Wah Hospital.

SUN AND CHAN.

THE RECONCILIATION RUMOUR.

As the Yunnanese troops and General Chan King-ning's forces on the East River have voluntarily retired to defensive lines, many rumours are in circulation. In some quarters it is said that a reconciliation between Dr. Sun and General Chan is contemplated, in order that a Northern Expedition may be carried out; whilst in other circles it is stated the Yunnanese commanders have agreed with General Chan to an armistice in consequence of Dr. Sun having requested Hunanese and Kiangsi troops to occupy important points on White Hill.

HOCKEY.

The following will represent the Club against the 102nd Grenadiers at the U.S.R.C. on Friday at 4.45 p.m.:—A.H. Roffey, E.G. England; G. Murray; E.J.R. Mitchell; A.S. Hett; E.L. Sim; H. Owen; Hughes; F.C. Miller; W. Woodward; G.R. More; D.H.F. McMaster.

On Wednesday next, there will be a match against a team of Army officers, and it is hoped there may also be a 2nd. team fixture, though as yet one has not been definitely arranged.

LEAGUE CRICKET.

The K.C.C. 2nd XI will play the I.R.C. on Saturday at Kowloon at 2.15 p.m. The following have been selected to represent Kowloon:—H. Overy, W. L. Weaver, A. O. Brown, A. R. F. Raven, B. Pertheram, E. J. Edwards, A. J. Kew, F. W. Howell, J. Fraser, E. Savage, and D. S. Green. Reserve:—J. C. Long.

FLIGHT TO THE POLE.

CONFLICTING VIEWS REPORTED.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Various rumours are afloat in connection with the visit by McCarty, the Commander of the airship Shenandoah, to confer with Government officials regarding a proposed flight to the North Pole next summer. For example it is rumoured that Comdr. McCarty disagreed with Heinen, the German air expert, and also Weyerbacher, the American constructor, both of whom favour a flight to the Pole. It is understood that Comdr. McCarty prefers to sail along the Pacific coast and anchor at Alaska, where he will prepare for his final dash.

MEXICAN REBELS HELP THEMSELVES.

EAGLE OIL CO'S TANKERS PILLAGED.

The tanker San Antonio belonging to the Mexican Eagle Oil Company, has arrived at Tampico after being escorted by a rebel gunboat into Vera Cruz harbour, where it was relieved of eight thousand barrels of crude oil for the railways controlled by the revolutionaries. The tankers San Leonardo and Santa Alicia, of the same line, have also been taken to Vera Cruz to provide the rebels with oil, of which they are in great need.

ITALY PROTESTS AGAINST IMMIGRANT LAW.

Italy has made representations opposing the Immigration Bill now under consideration by the Immigration Committee, contending that a further limitation of Italian immigration on the basis of the 1900 census would constitute discrimination against a friendly nation. The proposed new immigration law contemplates restricting immigration to two per cent. of the number of each country's nationals resident in the United States in 1890, instead of the present law three per cent. of those residing in the United States in 1910. The proposed measure will bear most heavily on South European countries, whose nationals formed a smaller proportion of the population in 1890 than in 1910. Mr. Davis recommends the action of immigrants at the port of embarkation with special reference to the economic needs of the United States and to exclude who are unable to become citizens under the American laws, be sailing.

CHINESE CUSTOMS.

YEAR'S COLLECTIONS.

Peking, Jan. 3.—The Customs collections for the principal ports are as follows:—Harbin Tls. 1,113,000; Antung Tls. 1,566,000; Dairen Tls. 5,690,000; Tientsin and Chinwangtao Tls. 7,263,000; Kiaochow Tls. 2,659,000; Shanghai Tls. 23,904,000; Swatow, approximately Tls. 1,491,000; Canton Tls. 3,842,000; Newchwang Tls. 1,178,000. This represents the following increases respectively, except in the case of Hankow, which is a decrease:—Tls. 42,000; Tls. 358,000; Tls. 232,000; Tls. 218,000; Tls. 431,000; Tls. 230,000; Tls. 2,359,000; Tls. 149,000; Tls. 577,000; Tls. 213,000.—Reuter.

PRIEST KILLED.

WHEN BANDITS LOOT TOWN.

Shanghai, Jan. 3.—A message from Suiyuan states that the Belgian priest, Achille Soenen, was shot and killed at Hokioa when the town was looted and plundered by bandits. His companion, the Rev. Joseph Leemans, escaped.—Reuter.

EMPIRE EXHIBITION.

THE HONGKONG FILMS.

One of the features at the Hongkong section of the British Exhibition in London will be a cinema film depicting Chinese life and local scenery in this Colony. This is being made by the South China Sun Motion Picture Company, on an order placed with them by the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs. Some two thousand feet long, it will boost the Colony in a most effective manner.

Yesterday the cameraman was "shooting" the best bits from a motor car. At the invitation of the joint Chambers of Commerce, a special screening of the films took place at the World Theatre this afternoon.

DAY BY DAY.

A report from Sheki says that an official sent out by Admiral Chan Chak, with a force of about 200 soldiers and a number of gunboats, captured that city without any resistance being offered. The Magistrate, Chu Chuek-man, is said to have fled to an unknown destination and most of his officials have gone to Macao.

NEW RIVER BOAT.

"HANG CHEONG" TO SAIL ON SUNDAY.

On Sunday night the s.s. Hang Cheong, the latest river steamer to ply between here and Canton, will make her maiden trip. The vessel now lies along the Douglas Wharf and is a trim, spick and span little ship, being fitted with everything of the latest for the convenience of passengers. It will be remembered that the vessel had only just been launched last August when the typhoon drove her ashore off North Point, but she has since been in the hands of Takoo Dock, her builders, and she is now a credit to the dockyard and her owners. Possessing a speed of 12.5 knots per hour, she will be one of the fastest on the run. She is under charter to the Wing On Steamship Company and will be on the night run, leaving Hongkong nightly at 9.30 and arriving in Canton at about 6.30 the next morning, leaving Canton at 5 p.m. that night and arriving here just after 11 o'clock. Under the command of Capt. William C. Evans, the boat should soon become one of the most popular on the run.

A Telegraph representative, who paid a visit to the ship this morning, was struck by the studied comfort with which she is replete. There is accommodation for about 40 first-class passengers, the staterooms being especially attractive. Each is fitted with two beds, chairs, washstands and mirrors, hot and cold water, fans, a separate reading light for each bed, whilst each cabin has two doors, one giving on to the deck and one on to the saloon passage-way. The saloon, though small, is equally attractive, and there is ample deck space for both first-class and second-class passengers. The second-class accommodation should attract much patronage, whilst the third-class accommodation is equal to anything now on the river run. A feature of the ship's equipment is the provision of lifebelts for all, there being four big bins of them for the third-class passengers. The boat will carry, altogether, between five and six hundred passengers. The engines are of the latest pattern with 900 normal horse-power, fitted with steam reversing gear, whilst the steering gear is also steam operated. There are cranes for hauling heavy cargo out of the holds; in fact, the general equipment of the ship is of a very high standard.

Capt. Evans may well be proud of his new ship and the travelling public will doubtless have a full measure of appreciation for this latest addition to the Colony's fleet of river steamers.

NEW U.S. SHIPPING SERVICE.

For Silk Trade From China.

A direct Manila-Los Angeles passenger and freight service is to be inaugurated beginning the latter part of January or the early part of February, says the Manila Bulletin.

This service is the third new line to be announced for Manila within three months, the two others being the Norddeutscher Lloyd passenger and freight service to Europe and the Dollar round the world service.

Mr. John R. Wilson, Manila representative of the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce, is to be Manila agent. He recently received advices of his appointment.

The new line is the United States and Steamship Company, headquarters in New York. It will specialize in handling silk from China ports to Los Angeles in an attempt to reduce transportation time. Present plans, according to Los Angeles advices, are to save three days in the transit time from China to New York.

The company will begin service with seven vessels. New York is to be the starting point. Mr. Wilson's preliminary advices are that Manila will be the terminal point but he is not absolutely certain on this point. Shanghai may be the terminus.

The ships will touch at Havana, Los Angeles, Honolulu, Manila, Hongkong and Shanghai and return to New York via the same ports. They will not go to Japan. All vessels will be passenger and freight carriers.

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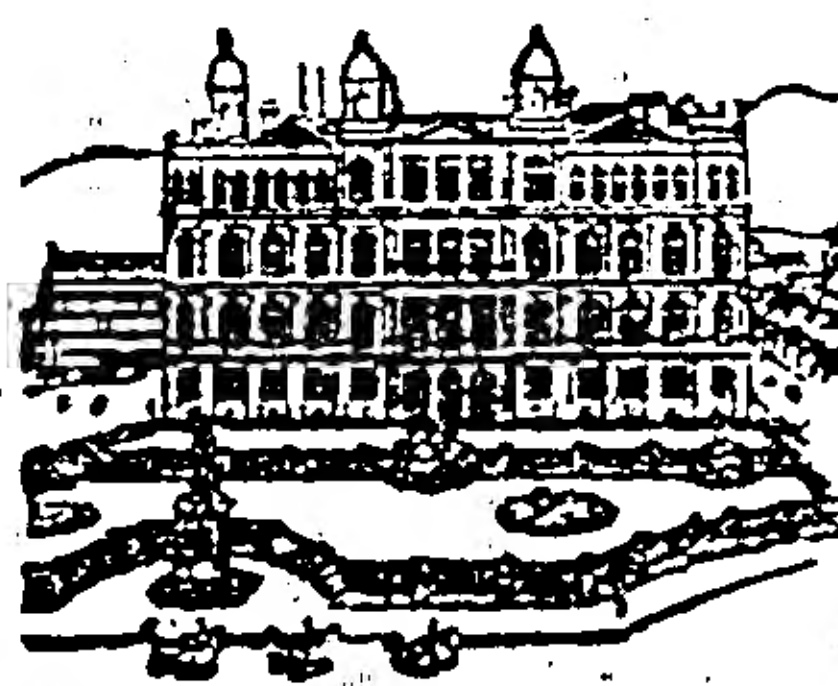
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In a lecture to the Royal Photographic Society at their annual exhibition in London, Mr. J. E. Saunders said that a remarkable series of cinema photographs had just been taken in the Zoo by the Zoological Society's official cinematographers, showing a young woman, Miss Gladys Callow, who was a Fellow of the Zoological Society, playing with some strange pets and demonstrating her unusual talent for making friends of them.

Miss Callow, he said, was an animal lover whose hobby it was to make friends of animals in the Zoo, and many of them would let her take unusual liberties with them. The pictures taken include Miss Callow sitting on the back of the threestriped hippopotamus "Bob" and feeding his mate, "Joan," and while sitting there making "Winnie," a nine-year-old Canadian bear, take figs with the teeth from her lips.

She is shown picking up a Pondicherry vulture, holding it in her arms, placing it feet upwards in her lap, and then tickling its chest; getting a King vulture to untie her boot laces and then to spring unaided into her lap and settle down there, playing with a wolf till it pulls her hair down with its paws; giving "Rex," the Zoo's biggest African leopard, a large bone through the bars of his cage, and then wriggling it out of his teeth as he begins to gnaw it, and going into a cage with four golden eagles and getting the biggest, "Mac," to swoop down from a high perch and take, while flying, a piece of rabbit from her fingers.

Mr. Saunders added that perhaps one reason which helped Miss Callow to do these things was the fact that many of the animals in the Zoo was henpecked by his lioness. Even the big "hippo" was under his wife's thumb, and worse still was the case of "Satan," the Prince of Wales's black leopard, whose domineering wife, "Maud," might be said literally to give "Satan" now and then "a devil of a time."



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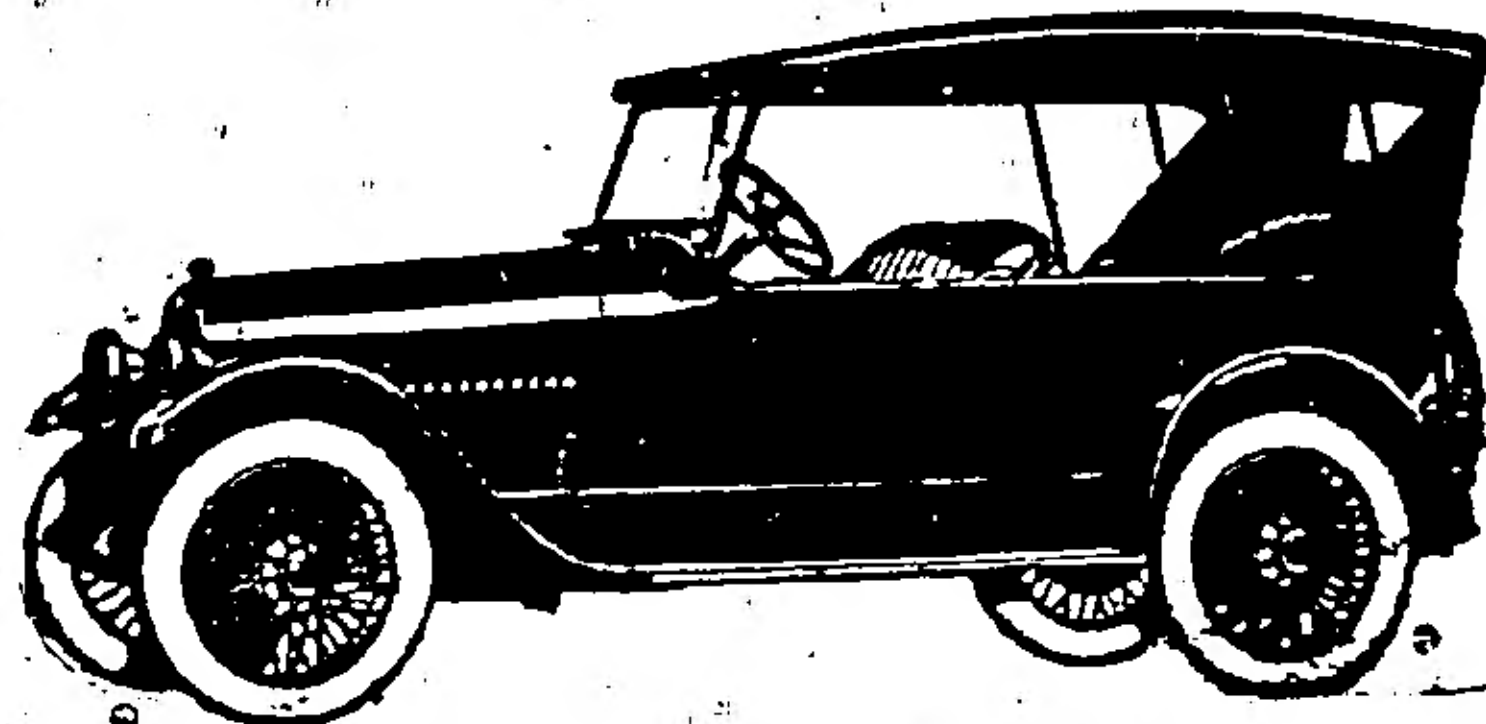
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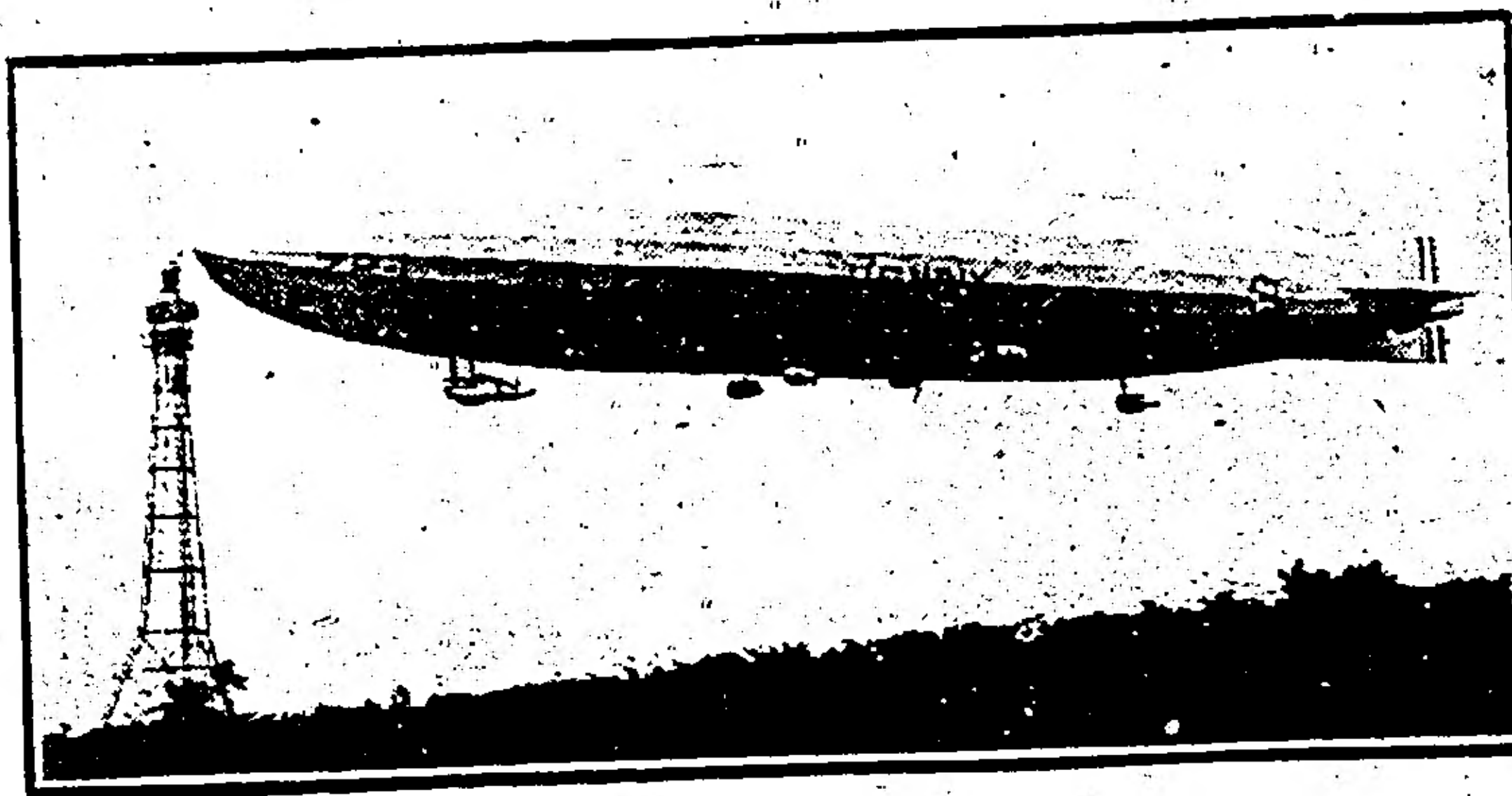
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This is the aftermath of a cotton gin explosion at Greenville. Three men were killed. A dozen others were injured.



New photo of Lady Ashburton, who formerly was Miss Frances Donnelly, of New York. As the wife of Lord Ashburton, she is one of the most popular young matrons in the British court set.

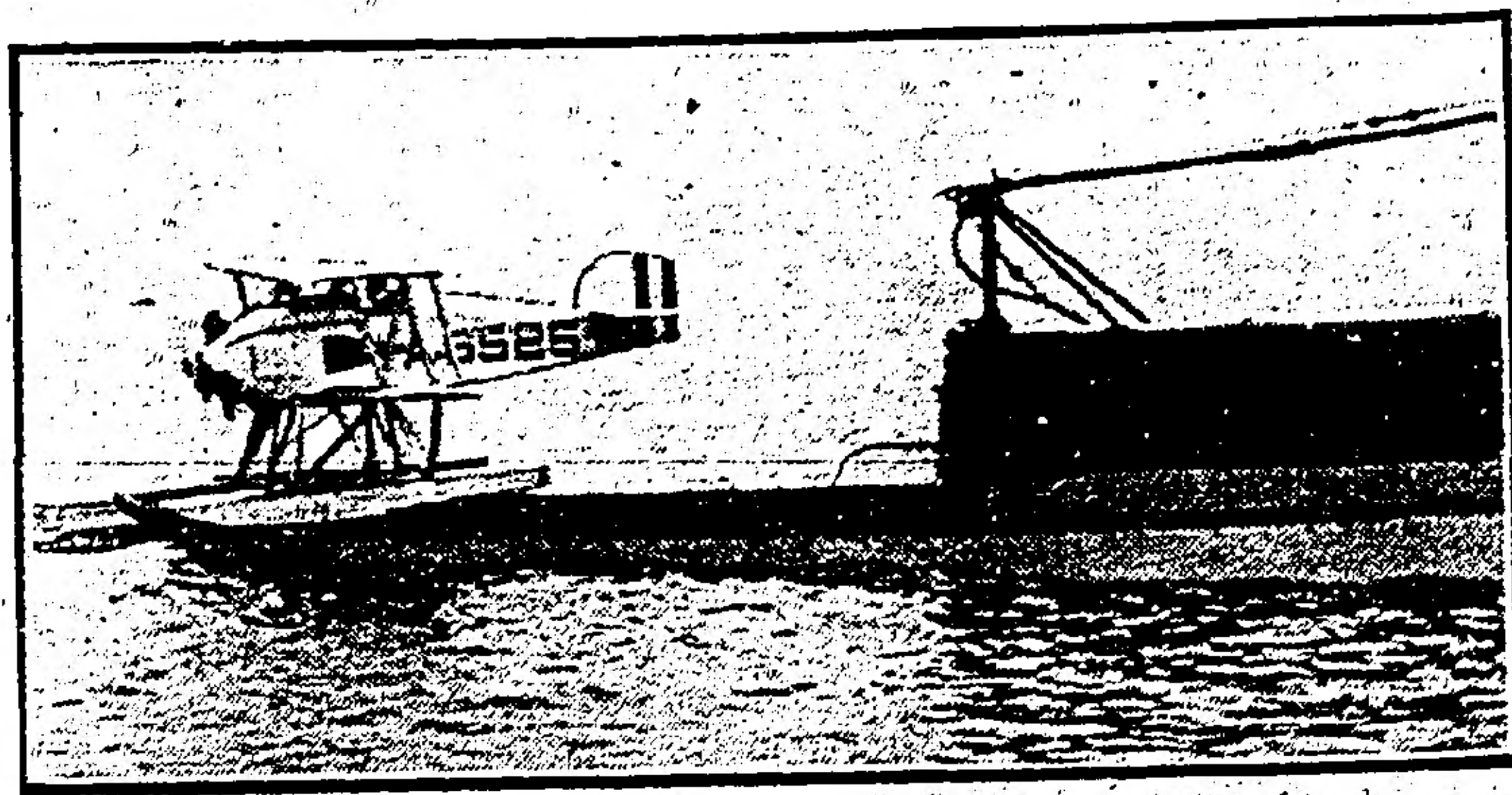
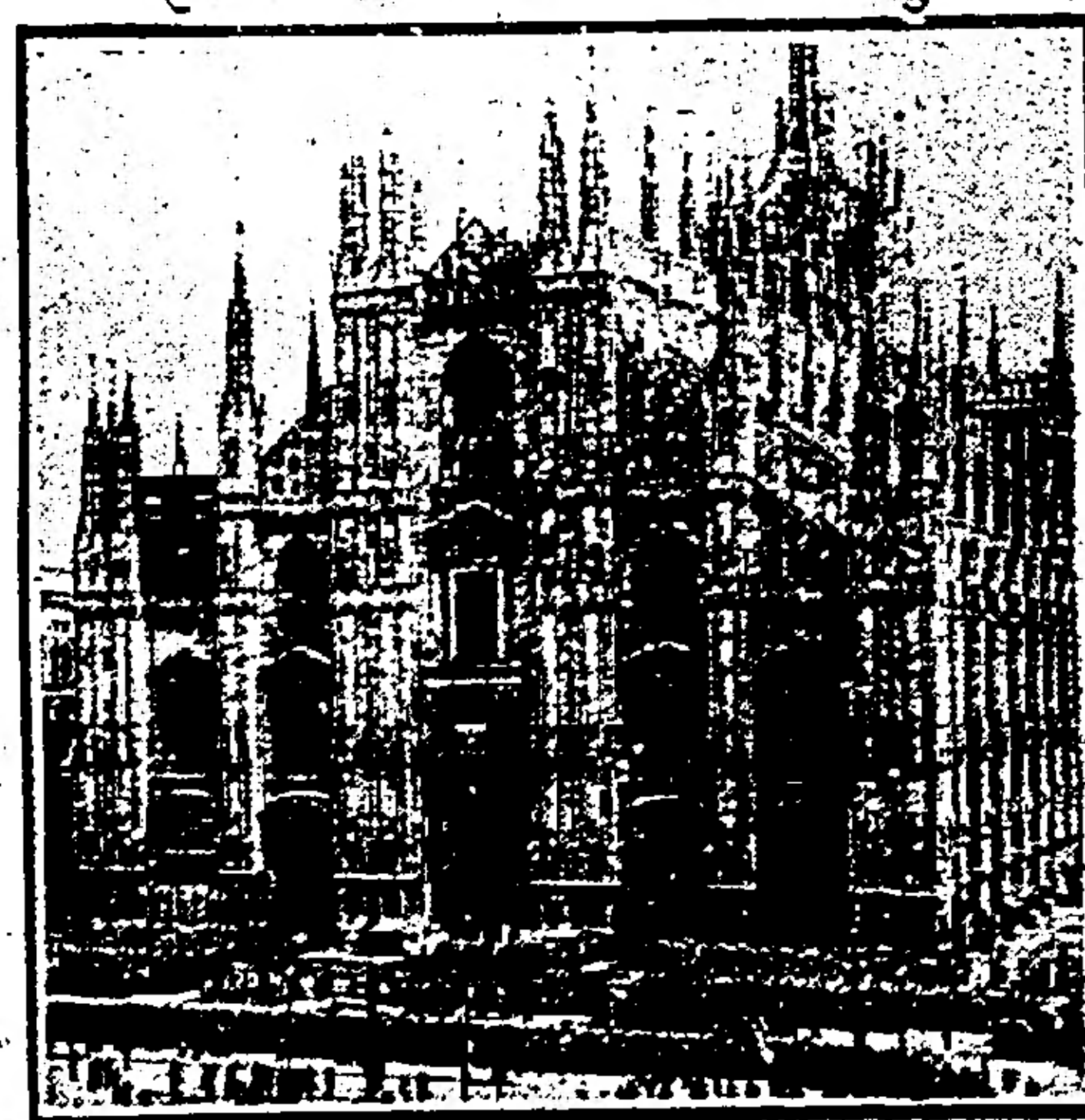


Photo shows the U. S. S. Submarine S-1, with the new type of navy plane on deck. This seaplane is carried by the sub and can be hoisted on deck and assembled in a few minutes.



Five thousand persons journeyed to Dr. Woodrow Wilson's home on Armistice Day, hoping for a glimpse of and a word from the war President. They were not disappointed. Senator Carter Glass is shown on left, and Ralph Bolling on right.



The imposing cathedral in Milan, Italy, was surrounded by thousands of people on Armistice Day, gathered to pay solemn tribute to the World War's end.



Mrs. Harry Payne Whitney, society leader and noted sculptress, is shown with Smoky, chosen from among the horses on the ranch of the late Colonel William Cody (Buffalo Bill). Smoky is going to pose for Mrs. Whitney during her modelling of a statue of the famous scout.

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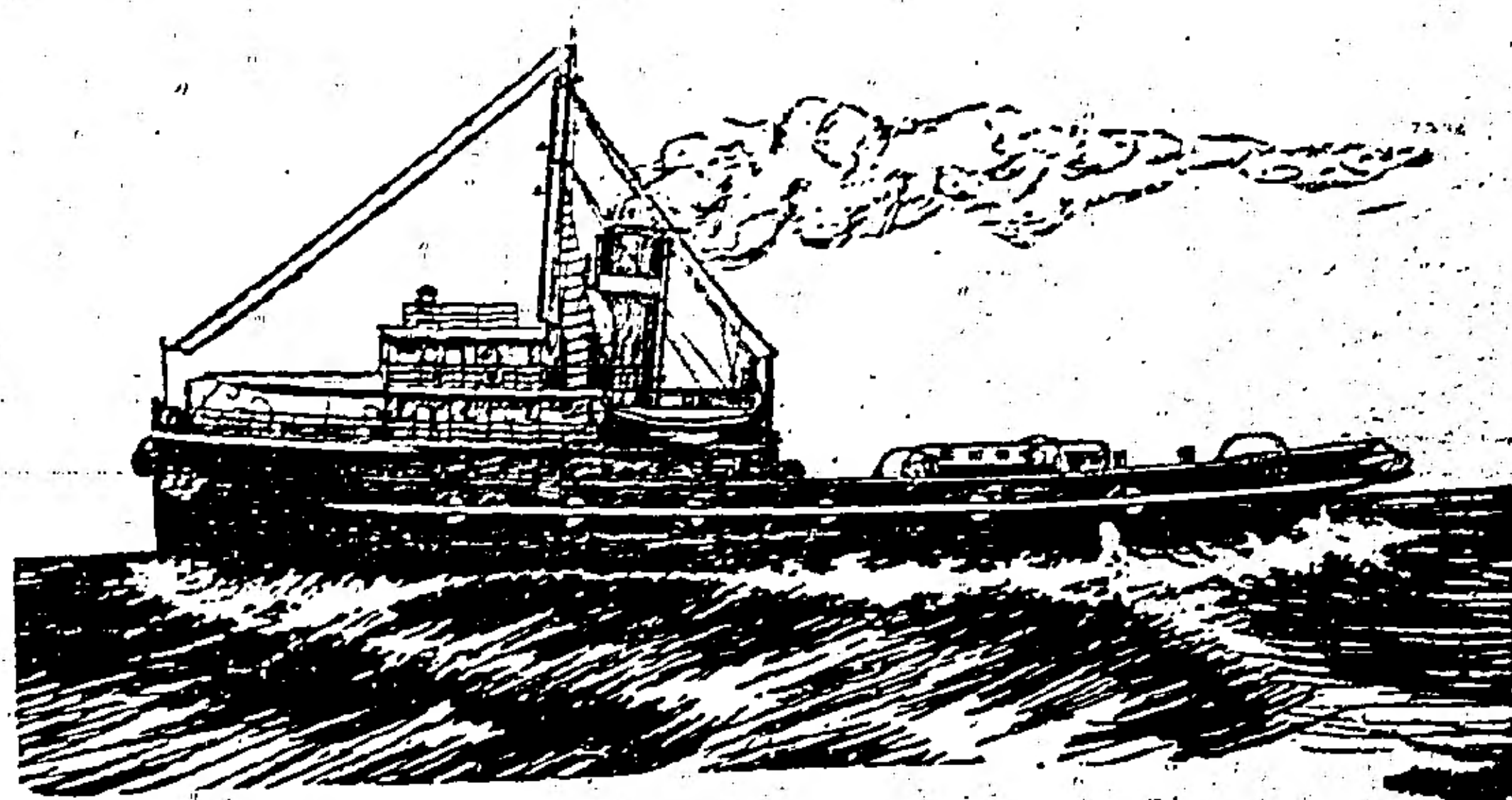
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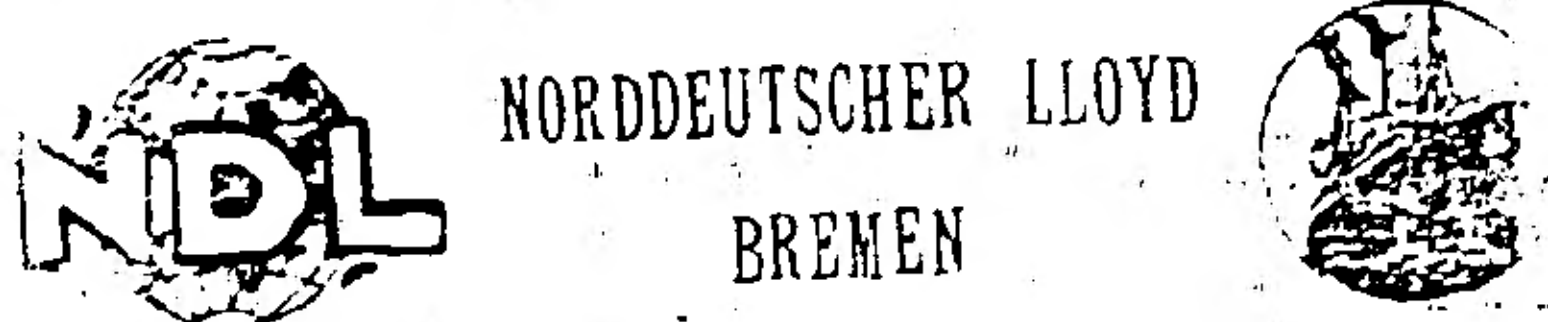
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MACEONIA	11,089	26th Jan.	B'bay, M's, L'don, A'werp
KASHGAR	8,840	9th Feb.	M's, London & Antwerp
SOUDAN	6,696	13th Feb.	S'pore, P'ang, C'bo & B'bay
MOREA	10,911	23rd Feb.	B'bay, M's, L'don, A'werp

BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS (South)

TORILLA	5,205	22nd Jan.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta
JAPAN	6,052	2nd Feb.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta

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ARAFURA	6,000	5 Jan. 4 p.m.	Manila, S'kan, Thurs, Is.
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ST. ALBANS	4,500	8th Jan.	Moji & Kobe
MOREA	10,911	12th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
TALMA	8,000	16th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
KARMALA	9,098	26th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
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BROCKSHIRE	9th Feb.	GLENBEG	1st Mar.
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ANDRE LEBON	—	—	21st Jan.
AMBOISE	30th Nov.	3rd Jan.	4th Feb.
CORDILLERE	14th Dec.	17th Jan.	18th Feb.
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HAKONE MARU ... Wednesday, 16th Jan.

HAMBURG via LONDON & ROTTERDAM.

LIVERPOOL via MARSEILLES & VALENCIA.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila, &c.

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TATSUNO MARU ... Friday, 11th Jan.

BUENOS AIRES via Singapore, Durban & Cape Town.

KAWAKURA MARU ... End of Jan.

BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.

SADO MARU ... Wednesday, 9th Jan.

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.

AWA MARU ... Friday, 4th Jan.

NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

AKI MARU ... Sunday, 13th Jan.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

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STRAITS & Calcutta, Laisang	Fri.	4th Jan. at 3 p.m.
HAIPHONG via Hoibow Cheongshing	Sat.	5th Jan. at 10 a.m.
SANDAKAN, Mausang	Sat.	5th Jan. at 1 p.m.
MANILA, Sulsang	Sat.	5th Jan. at 11 a.m.
BANGKOK via Swatow Hopsang	Tues.	8th Jan. at 8 a.m.
STRAITS & Calcutta, Hosang	Tues.	8th Jan. at 3 p.m.
TAO via S'ow & S'hai, Yatshing	Wed.	9th Jan. at 7 a.m.
SHANGHAI via Swatow Taksang	Sun.	13th Jan. at 7 a.m.
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A CHAINED INTERLUDE.
Mr. Close, the Canadian, who has often noisily aired his grievances before the Royal Commission on Awards, created a scene in the Court of Appeal recently. From a seat in the public gallery he protested against Mr. Justice Sargant "being promoted to this court," in consequence of his lordship having been on the Commission. Mr. Close, who was very voluble, asked to be committed for contempt of court, and then announced that he was chained to his seat. Officials quickly unchained him and led him out of court.

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TOGA ON THE DAY BEFORE
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To weigh 1lb, put the 1 1/2lb weight on one side of the scale and the 1/2lb weight on the other side with a quantity of oats. Naturally the oats weigh 1lb. Two pounds are obtained by using the 1 1/2lb and 1/2lb weights on one side, with oats on the other; and so on, either by adding or subtracting, any desired quantity may be weighed.

ONE IS NOT AS OLD
AS ONE'S YEARS
BUT AS OLD
AT ONE
FEELS.

French Octogenarian Tells Secret Of His Longevity.

How to prolong life is a subject of never-failing interest, and those who have attained to advanced years are constantly being asked what has been their secret. Such a question was put recently by a reporter to M. Yvonneau de Bordenave, a wonderfully hale and hearty old gentleman of 80 years who resides at 15 bis, in the Rue Cauchy, Paris.

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WEATHER REPORT.

Jan. 31, 12h. 05m. Pressure has decreased considerably at Shanghai and slightly to moderately elsewhere. The anticyclone has moved into the Eastern Sea and the monsoon will be interrupted to the north of the Formosa Channel, but will continue to blow freshly along the S.E. coast of China and over the north part of the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 0.04 inches, against an average of 0.08 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS
ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District: Forecast.

1 Formosa Channel N. winds, strong.

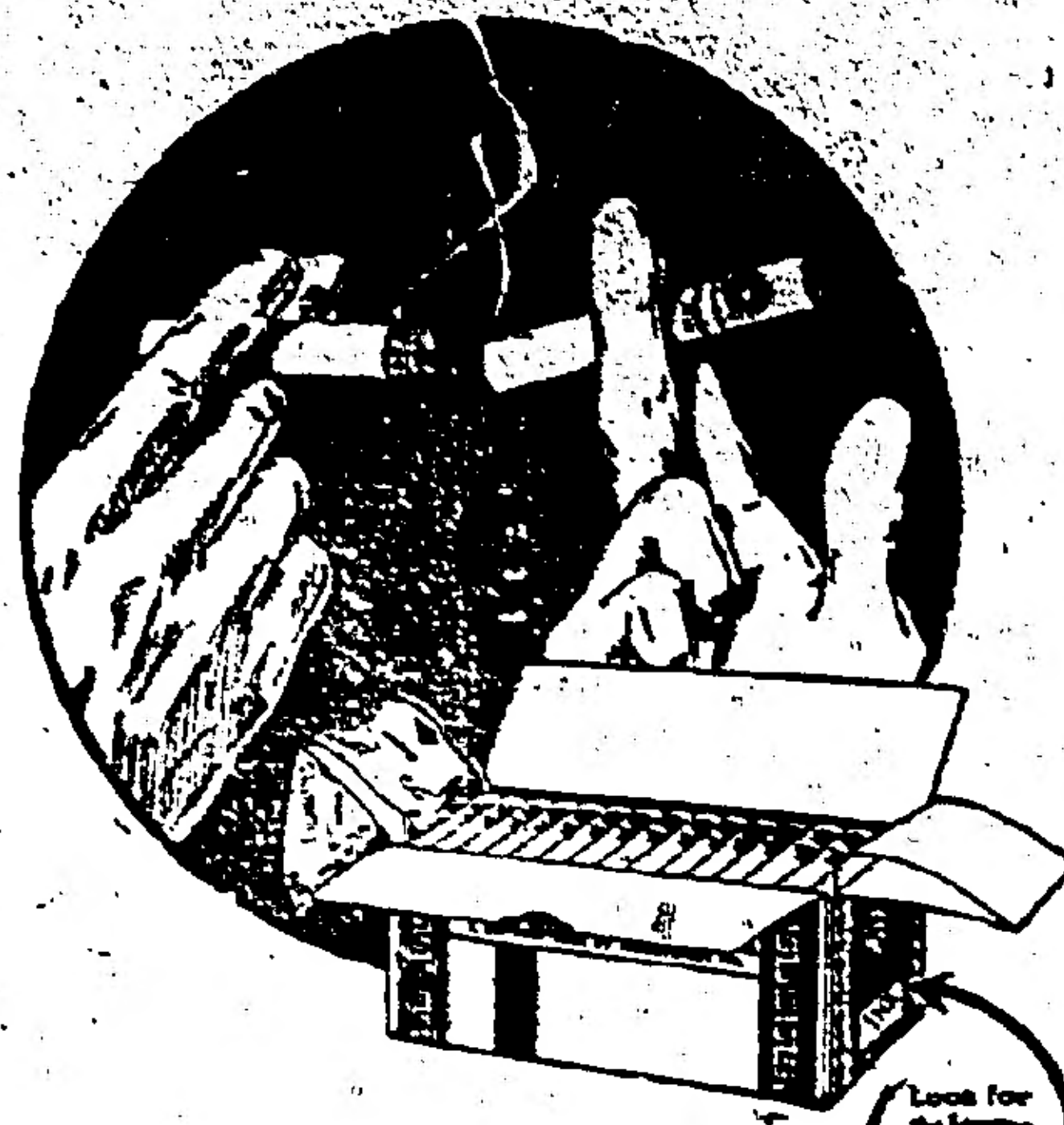
2 South coast of China between H.K. & Lamocks

3 H'kong to Gap N.E. winds, fresh; fair.

4 South coast of China between H.K. & Hainan

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1/1 T. Singapore	98	Demand, Germany	10.65
1/1 T. Japan	105	Demand, New York	5 1/2
1/1 T. India	151 1/2	T/T. Bombay	15 1/2
Demand India	151 1/2	Demand, Bombay	15 1/2
1/1 T. San Francisco and New York	5 1/2	T/T. Calcutta	15 1/2
1/1 T. Java	115 1/2	Demand, Calcutta	15 1/2
1/1 T. Manila	Nom.	On Yokohama	105
1/1 T. Hongkong	9.85	Demand, Manila	99
Demand, Paris	9.85	Demand, Singapore	13 1/2
		Demand, Batavia	Nom.
		On Haiphong	Nom.
		On Saigon	80
		On Bangkok	80
		Sovereign	8.42
		Gold leaf per Tael	50.40
		Bar Silver	32.11/15
		forward	32.15/15
		Bank of England rates	38
		New York London	6.25

BUYING.

4 m/s. L/C	2/4 9/16	50 d/s. Sydney and Melbourne	2 1/2
1 m/s. D/P	2/4 11/16		
6 m/s. L/D	2/4 1/2		

SUBSIDIARY COINS.

Hongkong 50 cent piece	12 1/2 p.p.
10 "	14 p.p.
Canton sub. coins	136 5/11 d/s.
Gold leaf	\$50.40

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POST OFFICE NOTICES.

INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Due.
U.S.A. Japan & Shanghai	Per. Wilton	4th Jan.
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London Letters via Brindisi	Motor	6th
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OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date.
Shanghai	Shanghai	Fri. 4 inst. 8.30 a.m.
Peking	Shanghai	Fri. 4 inst. 8.30 a.m.
Japan	Pullman	Fri. 4 inst. 8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	Swatow	Fri. 4 inst. 1 p.m.
Straits & Celestia	Swatow	Fri. 4 inst. 1.20 a.m.
Shanghai & Japan	Durwest	Fri. 4 inst. 2.30 a.m.
Singapore	Swatow	Fri. 4 inst. 2.30 a.m.
Japan	Swatow	Fri. 4 inst. 2.30 a.m.
Shanghai	Swatow	Fri. 4 inst. 2.30 a.m.
Shanghai	Swatow	Fri. 4 inst. 2.30 a.m.
Kingchow & Haiphong	Swatow	Fri. 4 inst. 2.30 a.m.
Manila	Swatow	Fri. 4 inst. 2.30 a.m.
Java via Sourabaya	Swatow	Fri. 4 inst. 2.30 a.m.
Swatow	Swatow	Fri. 4 inst. 2.30 a.m.
Straits	Swatow	Fri. 4 inst. 2.30 a.m.
Manila (Sund. Kan. Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island	Swatow	Fri. 4 inst. 2.30 a.m.
Shanghai	Swatow	Fri. 4 inst. 2.30 a.m.
Manila	Swatow	Fri. 4 inst. 2.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	Swatow	Fri. 4 inst. 2.30 a.m.
Shanghai Japan, Canada, U.S.A., O. & S. America & Europe via Victoria B.C.	Swatow	Fri. 4 inst. 2.30 a.m.
Singapore	Swatow	Fri. 4 inst. 2.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques, S. Africa, India via Durban, S. Africa, India via Durban, S. Africa, India via Durban	Swatow	Fri. 4 inst. 2.30 a.m.
Shanghai	Swatow	Fri. 4 inst. 2.30 a.m.
Manila	Swatow	Fri. 4 inst. 2.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	Swatow	Fri. 4 inst. 2.30 a.m.
Shanghai Japan, Canada, U.S.A., O. & S. America & Europe via Vancouver B.C.	Swatow	Fri. 4 inst. 2.30 a.m.

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